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PETER FORCE MAP COLLECTION EXHIBITED AT G&M DIVISION

A selection of 56 maps from the Peter Force Map Collection will be displayed in the Geography and Map Division, 845 South Pickett St., Alexandria, Va., through October 13.

The maps on display were selected to demonstrate the diversity and richness of the Force Map Collection. Included are three engraved maps showing the United States in 1784, 1804, and 1813; eight maps of individual American States dating from 1732 to 1837; five 18th-century maps showing routes and discovery in New England and the Midwest; 15 manuscript maps prepared during the American Revolutionary War era, including eight of the Boston area; 12 maps of Washington, D.C. dating from 1793 to 1822; seven engraved street plans of Hartford, Jeffersonville, New Orleans, Boston, Louisville, Nashville, and Philadelphia; and six maps depicting military fortifications.

The Peter Force Map Collection, which contains 292 manuscripts and 476 printed maps, was acquired by the Library of Congress in 1867. Force's superb library, then the largest private Americana collection in America, included nearly 23,000 books, 40,000 pamphlets, over 1,200 maps and views, 429 volumes of manuscript writings, and thousands of transcripts of documents pertaining to the American Revolution.

Force, a printer and publisher in Washington, D.C., was also active in local politics and civic affairs, serving on the City Council, the Board of Aldermen, and as Mayor from 1836 to 1840. In addition to his publishing and public service careers, Force is remembered as the compiler of the monumental documentary history entitled *American Archives*. While engaged in this project, Force traveled widely, seeking

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The American Red Cross Bloodmobile Unit will visit the Library, Navy Yard Annex, Building 159, Third Floor, Room 317, Monday August 20, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Staff members wishing to donate blood should register with keyworkers in their respective divisions. A schedule for shuttle bus transportation will be issued to each keyworker.

In accordance with LCR 2015-17.4, all blood donors may be granted a maximum of four hours excused absence, which includes the actual time spent giving blood and a rest and recuperative period immediately following. The time of donation must be approved by the supervisor.

For further information concerning the program, call Mrs. Barksdale, ext. 6053.

The Library's answer to the battle of the sexes took the form of a Softball game this past Saturday August 4 and the results may have added fire to an already bristling controversy as to which sex has more athletic prowess. The story appears on page 283.

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documents pertaining to the causes of the American Revolution, the war itself, and the adoption of the Constitution. Nine folio volumes, reproducing documents from the years 1774 to 1776, were published between 1837 and 1853. Much of the extensive collection that the Library of Congress acquired was amassed by Force in support of his *American Archives* project.

An article on the "Maps from the Peter Force Collection" by Richard W. Stephenson, Head of the Reference and Bibliography Section, Geography and Map Division, appears in the July issue of *The Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress* (LC 1.17:30/3), for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at $1.25.

STAFF NEWS

RETIREMENTS

Harry R. Stritman retired on June 29 after 32 years of Government service. Mr. Stritman came to the Library of Congress in October 1963 to establish the LC office in Tel Aviv and served as Field Director of the PL-480 Program for Israel until its termination in June 1973. [See LC *Information Bulletin* of June 22, p. 281.]

Under his energetic, resourceful and able direction, the program acquired for LC and 24 other U.S. research libraries over 1,660,000 pieces of material, including books, pamphlets, government publications, newspapers and journals. He also directed the compilation, publication, and distribution of the monthly *Accessions List: Israel*, used throughout the world as a prime source of information on current Israeli publications of research value. Not the least of Mr. Stritman's accomplishments was the orderly closing of the Tel Aviv office when the program ended. Mr. Stritman's great contribution to the PL-480 Program was recognized with a Superior Service Award presented to him by the Librarian of Congress on July 12 [see the LC *Information Bulletin* for July 27, p. 268].

Mr. Stritman was born in New York City and graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1932. From 1926 to 1942, he worked in the Minneapolis Public Library System and during World War II served with the U.S. Army. In 1946, he entered the U.S. Foreign Service and served in Rome, Milan, New Delhi, Trinidad, and Washington, D.C. He retired from the Department of State in September 1963 and shortly thereafter joined the Library staff.

J. Douglas Hill, Head of the Processing Section, Geography and Map Division, retired on June 29 after completing 30 years of Federal service. More than 22 years of Mr. Hill's Government service were spent at the Library of Congress, all of it in the Geography and Map Division.

Born in Ohio, Mr. Hill attended public schools in Sandusky and was graduated from Ohio State University in 1938 with a B.S. in foreign commerce. He subsequently studied at the graduate schools of Ohio State University, George Washington University, and the Catholic University of America.

Mr. Hill entered the U.S. Navy in 1942 and served as an officer overseas for several years. During the latter period of his military service, he returned to the United States to attend the U.S. Navy School of Oriental Languages in Stillwater, Okla.

He came to the Library in January 1951 from the Army Map Service, and served in progressively more responsible positions in the Geography and Map

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WRA MEN'S FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL TEAM WINS DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP

The Library's WRA-sponsored fast-pitch softball team has won the championship for their division in the D.C. Department of Recreation. The team will enter the tournament for the city-wide championship planned for the week of August 13.

Concluding the season with a nine-one record, the team made an all-out effort in the playoff to beat the only opponent to defeat them in regular season play, the EPA Miners. Great pitching by Larry Proctor and Alfred Freeman kept the Miners off base, and early homeruns by Charles Jackson and Clarence Fisher sparked the team on to victory. In recognition of his service to the team, James Proctor, team coach, was elected Coach of the Year for the Library by the players.

Members of the championship team, all Card Division staff members, officers of the Division, and team cheerleaders are pictured, back row, left to right: John Pizzo, Assistant Chief for Management, Card Division, Donald Marcus, Charles Dowd, William Shaffer, James Johnson, John Richardson, and Paul Edlund, Chief of the Card Division. Middle row, left to right: Larry Proctor, Alfred Freeman, James Weaver, John Dew, Charles Jackson, James Proctor, Norman Staunton, and James Glover. Seated are Evelyn Smith, Florence Perry, Gabriel Croskey, and Aggree Mcphatter. Not pictured were cheerleaders Agnes Walker and Alice Young, scorekeeper Pat Richardson, and team members George Brown, James Cunningham, and Clarence Fisher.

The team will be awarded a trophy by the Librarian at the Card Division.

MEN PROVE SOFTBALL SUPERIORITY

Last Saturday, August 4, the WRA Men's Slow-pitch Softball team scored a resounding victory over the WRA Women's Team in the Slow-pitch Softball Championship game, by a score of 27 to 8. The game marked a successful conclusion to a not altogether victorious season for the men's team. The winning pitcher was Lee Power and homeruns for the winners were belted by David Osman, Rick McCrellen, Frank Arbushites, and James Travis.

The WRA Men's team lost their final regular game of the season to Barton-Ashman by a score of 13-4 on July 9, completing a season with a record of 2-8. Ironically, LC's only second-half victory was over U.S.P.S. and was the only defeat suffered by that team en route to the second-half season's championship.

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Division. From 1955 to 1960, he was Head of the Reference and Bibliography Section, and in July 1960 was appointed to the position which he held at the time of his retirement.

Mr. Hill's articles have been published in several professional journals in the fields of library science and geography. He has been active in the Special Library Association's Geography and Map Division for several years, serving as secretary-treasurer from 1968 through 1970.

On June 27, the Geography and Map Division honored him with a reception. Paul L. Berry, Director of the Reference Department, presented Mr. Hill with a 30-year Federal Service Award pin.

AWARDS

In ceremonies in the Office of the Librarian on June 29, two members of the Copyright Office staff were awarded Incentive Awards by the Librarian. **Gerald E. Moylan** and **Benjamin W. Rudd** received service and cash awards for their outstanding contributions to the Library.

Mr. Moylan received an Incentive Award plus a cash award of $300 for his superior performance as an employee in the Copyright Office Examining Division, where he has worked for the last 18 years and where he is presently serving as Senior Examiner in the Book Section. Mr. Moylan was specifically cited for his work in training and advising examiners and in handling claims, especially his outstanding ability in handling foreign claims. The award recognizes consistently superior performance for a considerable period of time and commends Mr. Moylan for his "industry and devotion to duty which has contributed greatly to the efficiency of the Copyright Office. . . ."

The recipient of an Incentive Award and a cash award of $285, Mr. Rudd was congratulated specifically for his role in developing and carrying out the idea of printing the *Bulletin of Copyright Decisions* by the use of the cold-type composition process. Mr. Rudd, who has been responsible in recent years for compiling and editing the *Bulletin* and preparing it for printing, worked out the procedure for printing the annual publication by the more economical cold-type composition process. This resulted in a substantial financial savings to the Library, both in the cost of printing and the savings in time required for proofreading. Mr. Rudd is presently Attorney-Adviser and Librarian in the Office of the Register of Copyrights.

James A. Mauney of the Subject Cataloging Division was presented a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on July 23 by William J. Welsh, Processing Department Director.

A native of Stoney Point, N.C., Mr. Mauney attended Morningside High School in Statesville, N.C. He served with the United States Army from 1941 to 1945, and joined the staff of the Library of Congress in March 1948 as an employee in the Buildings and Grounds Division. In 1949, he transferred to the Office of the Secretary. He moved in October 1953 to the Subject Cataloging Division where he is presently serving as Clerical Assistant and Division Messenger.

Paul E. Edlund, Chief of the Card Division, was presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin on July 19 by Mr. Welsh.

A veteran of World War II and a graduate of Yale University (A.B., 1948), the University of Virginia (M.A., 1954), and the University of Michigan (M.A. in Library Science, 1955), Mr. Edlund came to the Library of Congress in 1955 as a Special Recruit in the Library's program for outstanding graduates of library schools. Mr. Edlund was appointed Chief of the Card Division in August 1972. A full account of Mr. Edlund's Library career appeared in the LC *Information Bulletin* of September 1, 1972, p. 395.

Left to right are Clark Hamilton, Assistant Register of Copyrights, Mr. Rudd, Mr. Moylan, Herbert O. Roberts, Head of the Book Section, Examining Division, and the Librarian.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Andrew V. Fessenko of the Slavic and Central European Division is the author of the article "An Outline of Russian Bibliography Abroad" published in Russian in the June issue of *The New Review*. Mr. Fessenko discusses several attempts of Russian émigré bibliographers to register the literary output of Russian writers, scholars, and scientists abroad; he places special emphasis on a recent endeavor, the voluminous work (about 17,000 entries) prepared by Ludmila Foster entitled *Bibliography of Russian Emigré Literature, 1918-1968* (Boston, G. K. Hall, 1970).

Tao-tai Hsia, Chief, and **Kathryn Haun**, Legal Research Assistant, Far Eastern Law Division, are the co-authors of a brief article on the December 1972 issue of *Ch'üan kuo hsin shu mu*, the Communist Chinese national bibliography, which appears in the *Newsletter* of the Committee on East Asian Libraries of the Association for Asian Studies, No. 40, June 1973. The December 1972 issue of *Ch'üan kuo hsin shu mu* is the latest received in this country. In addition to a numerical analysis of its contents, the authors present general observations on what the issue reveals about the state of publication in the People's Republic of China.

Roy P. Basler, Chief of the Manuscript Division, walks with Mrs. Basler on the grounds of the University of Auckland, New Zealand, where he lectured on American literature, poetry, and fiction this spring. [*See the LC* Information Bulletin *of June 22, p. 222, for a related article.*]

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: Miriam S. Birmiel, nurse, GS-7, Health NYA, 4887; Linwood H. Bowers, copyright examiner, GS-9, Cop Exam, 4867; William J. Hunter, motion picture assistant, GS-4, P&P, NP; Paul T. Schmitz, copyright examiner, GS-9, Cop Exam, 4867; Melvinia P. Wright, placement specialist, GS-9, Place & Class, 4876.

Temporary Appointment: John Franklin Mowery, conservator, GS-5, Restor, NP.

Reappointments: Mary Jane Echenhofer, deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, 4-600; Terry M. Katt, cataloger, GS-7, Cop Cat, 4866; Frank Joseph Williams III, deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, 4-600.

Promotions: Kimbrough B. Charles, editorial assistant, GS-4, CRS F, 4880; Donald L. Dungan, S&R, to classifier-shelflister, GS-7, LLO, 4971; Barbara J. Dvoryak, Ser Rec, to section secretary, GS-5, Bldgs, 4941; Kevin M. Stockdale, offset pressman, WP-7, CS, 6010; Beulah Washington, head, charforce, WS-2, Bldgs, 4948.

Transfer: Halyna Boretsky, Desc Cat, to cataloger, GS-11, Ser Rec, 4958.

Resignations: Roger J. Cohen, Cat Publ; Mary E. Conway, Cat Publ; Deborah A. Crowley, Photodup; Helen J. Hines, Photodup; James A. Smalls, Bldgs Mgmt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Irene Werschkow and **Meinell John Roberts** were married on Thursday, July 26, in Arlington, Va. Mrs. Roberts is a Subject Cataloger in Humanities Section II of the Subject Cataloging Division, and Mr. Roberts is employed by the U.S. Secret Service.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Monthly Checklist of State Publications. ISSN 0027-0288. Vol. 64, No. 7, July 1973. (pp. 533-643.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at $1 for single monthly issues, except June and December for $1.75, or $11.50 a year, domestic, and $14.50 a year, foreign.

The National Union Catalog: A Cumulative Author List Representing Library of Congress Printed Cards and Titles Reported by Other American Libraries. ISSN 0028-0348. January-March 1973. Part I: A-H. (xx, 1117 p.) Part II: I-Pieb, (1071 p.) Part III: Piec-Z. (1123 p.) Compiled by the Library of Congress with the cooperation of the Resources Committee of the Resources and Technical Services

Division, American Library Association. For sale by the Card Division, Library of Congress, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20541, for $890 for the year's subscription.

The National Union Catalog: A Cumulative Author List Representing Library of Congress Printed Cards and Titles Reported by Other American Libraries. ISSN 0028-0348. May 1973. (xx, 645 p.) Compiled by the Library of Congress with the cooperation of the Resources Committee of the Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association. For sale by the Card Division for $890 for the year's subscription.

Selected Information Resources on Hazardous Materials (SL 72-3). Revised June 1973. (17 p.) Compiled by the Science and Technology Division's National Referral Center, this informal listing of 65 organizations that will provide information on various hazardous materials, including their handling, storage, and transportation, is a revised and expanded version of a listing originally issued in early 1972. Each entry gives the name, address, and in most cases the telephone number of the organization, as well as a brief description of the information services it provides. Copies of the list may be obtained free from the National Referral Center, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

New Microfilm Publications: The Library of Congress Photoduplication Service has microfilmed and offers 35mm positive copies of the official law gazette of Romania, *Monitorul Oficial,* and the official records of the case involving the United States against General Tomoyuki Yamashita.

The *Monitorul Oficial,* published daily in Bucharest, is the most important source of Romanian legislative records for the period from that country's emergence as a modern nation in 1859 until its takeover by the Communist regime in 1948. This publication, for the years 1867, 1874, 1876, and 1882-1913, includes special sections which give valuable background information concerning the evolution of Romanian corporations, various legal transactions, judiciary proceedings, official name-changes of corporations and persons, legal notices from courts and ministries, and parliamentary debates. Filming of issues between 1913 and 1948 is underway. The issues between 1867 and 1913 on 180 reels for $2,095 are available from the Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Department C-202, Washington, D.C. 20540.

The records of the trial of General Tomoyuki Yamashita, consist of two titles: Proceedings (4,063 pages in 34 volumes) and Exhibits introduced by the prosecution and military commission (various pagings in four volumes. Tried in Manila by an American military commission from October 8, 1945 to December 7, 1945, General Yamashita was convicted for his failure to prevent his troups from committing war crimes and his failure, as area commander in chief, to fulfill his responsibilities for prisoners of war and civilians. Positive copies on 35mm microfilm are available on four reels for $40 from the Library of Congress, Photoduplication Service, Department C-205.

Library of Congress Regulations: No. 2015-18, page 2 (July 3) concerned eligibility for military leave; No. 2013-3.7 (July 18) pages 1 and 2 incorporated the new legal salary provisions; No. 1818-4 (July 24) referred to motor vehicle parking facilities.

Special Announcements: No. 576 (July 6) called for a Library-wide mail count on July 8-14; No. 577 (July 11) concerned the Training Advisory Committee; No. 578 (July 20) referred to the Incentive Awards Committee.

NEW REFERENCE WORKS

Copies of the *Catalog of Broadsides in the Rare Book Division, Library of Congress,* (Boston, G. K. Hall and Co., 1972. Z1231.B7A5) have been assigned to the Main Reading Room reference collection, the Manuscript Division, and the Rare Book Division. The four-volume set reproduces approximately 61,000 cards from the Rare Book Division catalog and represents a threefold approach to materials in the collection: a shelflist arrangement, principally geographic, subdivided chronologically; author or title (volumes 2 and 3 of the set); and a chronological file. The collection numbers over 28,000 pieces, ranging in date from 1527 to 1971, and consists chiefly of broadsides in their original form. Also included are cards for reproductions of some rare and important items located in other libraries, and for leaflet or other fugitive items in the Library that have been incorporated in the Broadside Collection for purposes of bibliographic and physical control.

The basis of the collection goes back to the 19th-century Americana collections of Peter Force and, through him, to those of the historian and collector, Ebenezer Hazard. The concentration in Americana may be seen in the nearly 200 items in the col-

lection published in Virginia before 1800, to cite only one example.

Special classes are provided in the shelflist for incunabula, Continental Congress broadsides, Carriers' Addresses, Lincoln materials, Constitutional Convention broadsides, and others. Few American libraries have collected these materials and cataloged them in detail, so there is added significance to the reference value of this catalog of the Library's collection. [*Thomas Daniel Burney*]

A recent addition to the collections is *Dewey to LC Conversion Tables,* compiled and edited by Gerald L. Swanson and published by CCM Information Corporation, 866 Third Avenue, New York City, 10022. [Z696.U4S94] The tables are derived from MARC tapes by matching Dewey numbers and LC numbers assigned to the same title during the years 1969-1971. The stated purpose is to assist libraries "in converting their collections from the Dewey Decimal system of classification to the Library of Congress classification system. The tables are not intended as a means of bypassing the use of the Library of Congress schedules but rather as a tool for a more rapid approach to the Library of Congress classification schedules from the Dewey numbers."

Approximately 74,000 matches are shown, with an extreme of one Dewey number matched with over 1,000 LC numbers (in the case of contemporary American fiction). Since the arrangement is only in Dewey order, the reverse correlation cannot be determined. The author cites a one-to-one match in 50 percent of the cases.

Because of the time span of the MARC data the Dewey numbers are taken from both the 17th and 18th editions of Dewey.

The arrangement by Dewey order makes tables useable in reclassing a collection from Dewey to LC, a situation not unknown during the past decade. However, they cannot be used to derive a Dewey number for a title on a printed card bearing only the LC number, a situation which occurs quite frequently.

[*Edward J. Blume and Benjamin A. Custer*]

After 20 years of gathering material, Ronald Seth has prepared *Encyclopedia of Espionage* (London New English Library, 1972. 683 p. UB270. S4385). Intended both for the general reader and the "espiomane," this work is a reference guide to pre-1972 espionage history, consisting primarily of biographical sketches of persons involved in intelligence work—from Delilah to Richard Helms. Entries also are included for famous spy cases and for espionage organizations, networks, and devices. Many of the entries are accompanied by brief bibliographies. The *Encyclopedia of Espionage* may be consulted in the Main Reading Room Biography Alcove.

[*Evelyn Timberlake*]

Those Oldies but Goodies, by Steve Propes (New York, Macmillan, 1973. 192 p. ML156.4.P6P76), is a guide for collectors of rock and roll, rhythm and blues, and blues records of the 1950's. Propes provides discographies for major rhythm and blues groups (among them the Ravens, the Dominoes, the Moonglows, the Drifters, and the Platters); rhythm and blues duets (Shirley and Lee, Marvin and Johnny); individual blues and rhythm and blues vocalists (including Fats Domino, Ray Charles, Little Richard, Jimmy Reed, and Chuck Berry); and rock and roll-rockabilly groups and artists (Bill Haley and the Comets, Elvis Presley, Buddy Holly). Each discography is accompanied by notes on the history and sound of the group or artist and the rarity and value of the listed records. Other sections of the book provide chronological surveys of notable but less significant groups and artists and their records. Propes also provides information about grading the condition of records, record labels, the themes dealt with in songs, and sources for old records, as well as a bibliography of magazines and books for record collectors. *Those Oldies but Goodies* is available in the Main Reading Room. [*David Kresh*]

The Research Liaison Committee of the African Studies Association has issued a comprehensive guide to doctoral dissertations on Africa accepted by American universities in the past 86 years. Entitled *American Doctoral Dissertations on Africa, 1886-1972* (Waltham, Mass., 1973. 165 p.), it records 2,540 dissertations accepted by 131 institutions. It updates, to August 1972, a number of earlier sources, including two guides issued by the Library of Congress: *A List of American Doctoral Dissertations on Africa* (1962) and *American Doctoral Dissertations on the Arab World, 1883-1968* (1970). Dissertations are arranged by geographical area and then by subject.

The compilers, Michael Bratton and Anne Schneller, have included indexes to personal authors and to subjects, plus tables indicating the number of degrees conferred in major subjects both by year and by geographic area. In the foreword, Adelaide C. Hill of Boston University suggests that the heavy concentration of American dissertations on certain countries, notably the United Arab Republic, Nigeria, and South Africa, compared to the lack of attention to some of the French-speaking states, "reflects

American educational and political priorities, but does not reflect accurately the problems and varieties of African culture." Information on the availability of the guide can be obtained from the Research Liaison Committee, African Studies Association, Shiffman Center, Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass. 02154. A copy is available for consultation in the African Section, General Reference and Bibliography Division, Annex Building, Room 1040C.

The *First Supplement* to *Africa South of the Sahara; Index to Periodical Literature* (Boston, G. K. Hall and Co., 1973. 521 p. Z3503.U47 Suppl.) is also available in the African Section. The publication, based on a card catalog maintained by the Library's African Section, includes approximately 12,000 citations added to the catalog in the period January 1971 to June 1972, from articles published primarily in major scholarly journals and in some of the lesser-known periodicals from Africa.

H. Dwight Beers, Technical Assistant in the African Section, organized the supplement by interfiling entries from several bibliographic services with cards prepared in the section. Principal outside sources of data are the card services prepared by the Centre d'Analyse et de Recherche Documentaires pour l'Afrique Noire (CARDAN), Paris; the Centre Internationale de Documentation Economique et Sociale Africaine (CIDESA), Brussels; and the Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques, Centre de Documentation Contemporaine, Paris. It features an author index and a list of the forms of ethnic names used in both the first compilation and the supplement. [*Julian W. Witherell*]

Another recent Africana reference guide is *Ghana: An Annotated Bibliography of Academic Theses, 1920-1970, in the Commonwealth, the Republic of Ireland and the United States of America* (Boston, G. K. Hall and Co., 1972), compiled by Joseph Kofi Kafe, Assistant Librarian at the Balme Library, University of Ghana. The work lists some 522 theses and dissertations "on Ghana accepted for higher degrees by Universities and other institutions of higher learning in the Commonwealth, the Republic of Ireland and the United States of America"; 118 theses that the compiler considers to be concerned in some way with Ghana are included in the appendix.

Most of the works held at the Balme Library and the University of Science and Technology Library, Kumasi, Ghana, are annotated; titles considered to be self-explanatory are not annotated. Call numbers have been provided for theses at the Balme Library, and works subsequently published are indicated with an asterisk. The bibliography is divided into two sections. Part One is arranged by subject and Part Two, chronologically by institution; institutions are listed alphabetically within a country breakdown. A copy is available for consultation in the African Section.

[*Beverly Gray*]

Volume 63, *Das Ungarische Bibliothekswesen, Vergangenheit und Gegenwart*, compiled by Csaba Csapodi and edited by Stummvoll and Wieser (64 p. Z794.3.A1C8), contains 10 essays, all by Hungarian authors. The essays cover the history of the Hungarian scriptoria and codices; the history of printing and of libraries in Hungary; the library system and library education in the present Republic; the Széchényi National Library in Budapest; bibliographical undertakings such as a retrospective national bibliography, a bibliography of works dealing with Hungary, a national union catalog and national subject bibliographies; documentation; the Central Agency for Library Science and Methodology and the scope of its activities in the setting of library policies, in research, information, and library training; and finally, the Commission for the History of the Book and for Bibliography of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences and its activities and publications. Since information on Hungarian libraries is not easily accessible to American librarians, this German publication on the subject should be useful. [*Johannes L. Dewton*]

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

Seymour Taine to Head WHO Library

Seymour I. Taine, formerly Director of Technical Processing at the National Library of Medicine, has been appointed Chief Librarian of the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland. Mr. Taine will be the first American to hold the post in the 25-year history of WHO.

In addition to his responsibility for the management of the WHO Library, one of the outstanding biomedical libraries outside of the United States, Mr. Taine will be involved in the planning and coordination of programs designed to improve the biomedical communications and information services provided to the 137 member nations of WHO.